

**Natural Resources Conservation Service**

**Application Ranking Summary**

**Riparian Habitat Restoration and Management SD**

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| <b>Program:</b>   | <b>Ranking Date:</b> | <b>Application Number:</b> |
| <b>Ranking Tool:</b> Riparian Habitat Restoration and Management SD | <b>Applicant:</b>    |                            |
| <b>Final Ranking Score:</b>   | <b>Address:</b>      |                            |
| <b>Planner:</b>   | <b>Telephone:</b>    |                            |
| <b>Farm Location:</b>   |                      |                            |

**National Priorities Addressed**

| Issue Questions  | Responses   |
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| Healthy Plant & Animal Communities - Wildlife Habitat Conservation – Will the proposed project assist the applicant to:  |   |
| 1. a. Retain wildlife and plant benefits on land exiting the Conservation Reserve Program?   | Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/> |
| 1. b. Address and support one of the following priorities: Mississippi River Basin Healthy Watersheds Initiative (MRBI), North American Waterfowl Management Plan, National Fish Habitat Action Plan, Greater Sage Grouse Conservation Strategy, State Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategies (also referred to as the State Wildlife Action Plans), Northern Bobwhite Conservation Initiative, Restoration of Longleaf Pine Forests | Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/> |
| 1. c. Benefit federally listed threatened and endangered, at-risk, candidate, fish or wildlife species of concern?   | Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/> |
| 1. d. Benefit prioritized native habitat critical to a fish or wildlife species?   | Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/> |
| 1. e. Increase, improve or establish pollinator habitat?   | Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/> |
| 1. f. Eradicate or control prioritized noxious or invasive species?  | Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/> |
| 1. g. Benefit declining or important aquatic wildlife species prioritized in the State WHIP Plan?  | Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/> |
| 1. h. Implement conservation practices which benefit prioritized fish or wildlife species in forested areas?   | Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/> |
| 1. i. Establish habitat on pivot corners and irregular areas on agricultural land?   | Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/> |
| 1. j. Provide self-sustaining habitat for prioritized fish and wildlife while reducing net carbon emissions or boosting carbon storage (e.g., warm season perennial grasses, trees or shrubs)?   | Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/> |
| Business Lines – Conservation Implementation - Additional Ranking Considerations – Will the applicant in the proposed project:   |   |
| 2. a. Complete habitat development within the first two years of the agreement?  | Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/> |

**State Issues Addressed**

| Issue Questions  | Responses   |
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| 1. Will the proposed treatment include managing grazing on a protected riparian zone to maximize woodcock habitat benefits?                | Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/> |
| 2. Will the riparian area to be managed for woodcock include a minimum of 70 feet from top of bank or the entire width of the flood plain? | Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/> |
| 3. Is there an existing population of alder that will benefit from management techniques designed to improve woodcock habitat?             | Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/> |

**Local Issues Addressed**

| Issue Questions  | Responses   |
|--|---|
| 1. Is the area planned for woodcock habitat fenced to allow for livestock access control?              | Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/> |
| 2. Does the plan include establishment of alder and other species needed for optimum woodcock habitat? | Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/> |

**Land Use:**

| Resource Concerns | Practices |
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**Ranking Score**

Efficiency:

Local Issues:

State Issues:

National Issues:

**Final Ranking Score:**

This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

Notes:

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| <b>NRCS Representative:</b> | <b>Application Signature Not Required for Contract Development unless required by State policy:</b> |
| <b>Signature Date:</b>      | <b>Signature Date:</b>  |